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LANDMINE MONITOR REPORT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the Landmine Monitor Report,2007;

(b) the number of people killed in the landmines;

(c) the steps taken to clear areas from landmines;

(d) the areas still not cleared from landmines; and

(e) the compensation paid to farmers and landowners?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) Landmine Monitor Report of 2007 was released during the Ottawa Convention Meeting held atAmman, Jordan in November, 2007. The Report gives details about use and stockpile of anti-personnel mines of all countries in the World.

(b) to (e): Mines were laid as per operational plans dictated by need during OPERATION PARAKARAM.On demobilization of troops,demining operations for the mines laid during the Operationcommenced in November, 2002. Demining operations have been completed in all areas, except thoserequired for operational reasons. Cases of 353 civilian land mine casualties (61 killed and 292injured) have been sanctioned ex-gratia compensation in accordance with the extant guidelines.